PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Bengt GUSS et al.

Serial No. 09/147,405

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: Exr: L. Lee

: Art Unit: 1645

For: New Fibrinogen Binding Protein Originating

From Coagulase-Negative Staphylococcus

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND RESPONSE TO COMPLY WITH NUCLEOTIDE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE RULES

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated December 6, 1999, the period for response to which has been extended to March 6, 2000, by filing a petition for a two month extension of time and paying the required fee. Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the originally filed sequence listing which appears after the abstract as separately numbered pages 1-24 and replace the deleted sequence listing with the new sequence listing attached hereto as separately numbered pages 1-24.

IN THE CLAIMS:

/In claim 1, line 2, please replace "coagulase-negative staphylococcal" with --Staphylococcus epidermidis--.